



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
WASHINGTON, D.C.

Issued by the Department of Transportation on April 30, 1999

NOTICE OF ACTION TAKEN -- DOCKET OST 97-2197

This serves as notice to the public of the action described below, taken by the Department official indicated (no additional confirming order will be issued in this matter).

Applicant: **Air Comet S.A.**

Date Filed: April 13, 1999

Relief requested: Exemption from 49 U.S.C. § 41301 to conduct charter foreign air transportation of persons, property and mail between Spain and the United States, and other charters in accordance with Part 212 of the Department's rules.

If renewal, date and citation of last action: April 13, 1998, Docket OST-97-2197

Applicant representative: John N. Romans (212) 797-1900

Responsive pleadings: None filed

DISPOSITION

Action: Approved

Action date: April 30, 1999

Effective dates of authority granted: April 30, 1999-April 30, 2000

Basis for approval (bilateral agreement/reciprocity): Comity and reciprocity (Although the U.S.-Spain Air Transport Agreement does not provide for the operation of charter services between the two countries, we find that adequate comity and reciprocity support favorable action on Air Comet's request.)

Except to the extent exempted/waived, this authority is subject to the terms, conditions, and limitations indicated:

☒ Standard exemption conditions

Special conditions/Partial grant/Denial basis/Remarks:

**Action taken by: Paul L. Gretch, Director
Office of International Aviation**

Under authority assigned by the Department in its regulations, 14 CFR Part 385, we found that (1) the applicant was qualified to perform the proposed operations; (2) immediate action was required and was consistent with Department policy; (3) grant of the authority was consistent with the public interest; and (4) grant of the authority would not constitute a major regulatory action under the Energy Policy and Conservation Act of 1975. To the extent not granted/deferred/dismissed, we denied all requests in the referenced Docket. We may amend, modify, or revoke the authority granted in this Notice at any time without hearing at our discretion.

Persons entitled to petition the Department for review of the action set forth in this Notice under the Department's regulations, 14 CFR § 385.30, may file their petitions within ten (10) days after the date of issuance of this Notice. This action was effective when taken, and the filing of a petition for review will not alter such effectiveness.

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